

Memorandum



Date: December 4, 2007

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: FY 2007-2008 Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program Recommendations

Agenda Item No. 10(B)(1)(B)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the funding of 33 grants for a total of \$364,000 from the FY 2007-2008 Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program. Attached is a list describing the projects being recommended for funding.

Scope

The impact of this agenda item is countywide.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Funding for the Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program comes from Department of Cultural Affairs' proprietary revenues approved in the FY2007-2008 budget.

Track Record/Monitor

Each recommended, non-profit cultural organization has a track record for responding to Departmental grant requirements and contractual conditions. Michael Spring, Director of the Miami-Dade Department of Cultural Affairs, is responsible for monitoring the grant contracts.

Background

The FY 2007-2008 Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program panel convened on October 11, 2007 to review 35 applications requesting \$525,000 for this program. The Panel recommended funding 33 applicants for a total of \$364,000. The Cultural Affairs Council approved these recommendations at their meeting on October 24, 2007.

The projects selected for funding represent a diversified range of activities and demographic locations. In its deliberations, the Panel carefully considered and applied the Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program guidelines, as outlined below.

The DAN Program is designed to help arts groups develop management skills and establish organizational goals by providing funding support to small and emerging neighborhood-based arts groups. These groups must present year-round activities to audiences and communities and have an annual operating budget of less than \$100,000, based on the last completed fiscal year's operations. Activities may include concerts, performances, and exhibitions or other projects, which would contribute to the overall cultural development of Miami-Dade County. In addition to receiving funding support, grantees participate in the program's accompanying marketing workshop series.

The Panel specifically evaluated each applicant organization based on the following competitive review criteria: 1) artistic merit; 2) management capability and organizational development; 3) efforts leading to long-term cultural enrichment of area served; and 4) the organization's financial stability and capacity to attract financial support from other private and public sources as evidenced in matching requirements and in-kind.


Assistant County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: December 4, 2007

FROM: 
R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 10(B)(1)(B)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☒ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 10(B)(1)(B)

Veto _____

12-4-07

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THIRTY-THREE GRANTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS' 2007-2008 DEVELOPING ARTS IN NEIGHBORHOODS GRANTS PROGRAM TO ACADEMIA DE LAS LUMINARES DE LAS BELLAS ARTES, INC.; ALHAMBRA MUSIC, INC. D/B/A ALHAMBRA ORCHESTRA; ARTS AT ST. JOHNS, INC.; BALLET CONCERTO COMPANY OF MIAMI, INC.; BRAZZ DANCE THEATER, INC.; CACEC, INC. (CENTER FOR ARTISTIC AND CULTURAL EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY, INC.); CIRCULO LIRICO DE LA OPERA, INC.; CIVIC CHORALE OF GREATER MIAMI, INC.; CLARITA FILGUEIRAS - FLAMENCO PURO, INC.; COMMUNITY ARTS AND CULTURE, INC.; COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION F/A FOR THE EDGE THEATER; COMMUNITY PERFORMING ARTS ASSOCIATION, INC.; COMMUNITY THEATRE OF MIAMI LAKES, INC.; COVE/RINCÓN, CORPORATION, THE; CRYSTAL PARROT PLAYERS, INC.; DANCE NOW! ENSEMBLE, INC.; DECO ECHO ARTISTS' DELEGATION D/B/A CENTER FOR FOLK AND COMMUNITY ART (CFCA); FREDDICK BRATCHER AND COMPANY, INC.; FUNDARTE, INC.; GABLESTAGE, INC. F/A FOR GROUND UP AND RISING, INC.; HAITIAN HERITAGE MUSEUM; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE, INC. F/A FOR ART AND DECORATION, INC.; HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIAMI CLASSICAL GUITAR SOCIETY INC.; MIAMI HISPANIC BALLET CORPORATION F/A FOR CUBAN CLASSICAL BALLET OF MIAMI; MIAMI LYRIC OPERA COMPANY; MIAMI WATERCOLOR SOCIETY, INC.; MZ. GOOSE, INC.; NORTH MIAMI COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND; SOUTH BEACH CHAMBER ENSEMBLE, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION, INC.; TEATRO EN MIAMI CORPORATION; THE UNCONSERVATORY, INC. AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE GRANT AGREEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves funding of thirty-three (33) grants for a total of \$364,000.00 from the Department of Cultural Affairs' 2007-2008 Developing Arts in Neighborhood Grants Program as follows:

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| 1. Academia de las Luminas de las Bellas Artes, Inc. | \$ 8,238 |
| 2. Alhambra Music, Inc. d/b/a Alhambra Orchestra | \$11,710 |
| 3. Arts at St. Johns, Inc. | \$15,000 |
| 4. Ballet Concerto Company of Miami, Inc. | \$5,922 |
| 5. Brazz Dance Theater, Inc. | \$10,315 |
| 6. CACEC, Inc. (Center for Artistic and Cultural Events in the Community, Inc.) | \$8,512 |
| 7. Circulo Lirico De La Opera, Inc. | \$2,765 |
| 8. Civic Chorale of Greater Miami, Inc. | \$12,877 |
| 9. Clarita Filgueiras - Flamenco Puro, Inc. | \$15,000 |
| 10. Community Arts and Culture, Inc. | \$10,529 |
| 11. Community Concert Association f/a for The Edge Theater | \$7,196 |

12. Community Performing Arts Association, Inc.	\$6,431
13. Community Theatre of Miami Lakes, Inc.	\$15,000
14. Cove/Rincón, Corporation, The	\$6,140
15. Crystal Parrot Players, Inc.	\$10,096
16. Dance Now! Ensemble, Inc.	\$15,000
17. Deco Echo Artists' Delegation d/b/a Center for Folk and Community Art (CFCA)	\$15,000
18. Freddick Bratcher and Company, Inc.	\$15,000
19. Fundarte, Inc.	\$15,000
20. GableStage, Inc. f/a for Ground Up and Rising, Inc.	\$10,729
21. Haitian Heritage Museum	\$15,000
22. Hispanic-American Lyric Theatre, Inc. f/a for Art and Decoration, Inc.	\$8,737
23. Homestead Community Concert Association, Inc.	\$15,000
24. Miami Classical Guitar Society Inc.	\$12,004
25. Miami Hispanic Ballet Corporation f/a for Cuban Classical Ballet of Miami	\$14,754
26. Miami Lyric Opera Company	\$11,904
27. Miami Watercolor Society, Inc.	\$7,280
28. Mz. Goose, Inc.	\$4,739
29. North Miami Community Concert Band	\$8,171
30. South Beach Chamber Ensemble, Inc.	\$10,082
31. South Florida Bluegrass Association, Inc.	\$13,954
32. Teatro en Miami Corporation	\$10,915
33. The Unconservatory, Inc.	\$15,000

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in substantially the form of one of the agreements attached hereto and made a part hereof; and authorizes the County Mayor or designee to execute same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County; and to exercise the cancellation provisions contained therein.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Dennis C. Moss
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of December, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Stephen Stieglitz

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
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- 1 Academia de las Luminares de las Bellas Artes, Inc.** **\$8,238**
6702 Southwest 25 Terrace, Miami, FL 33155
Organization Established in 1990
2007-2008 Performing Arts Season
- Funds are requested to support the Academia de las Luminares de las Bellas Artes' (ALBA) 2007-2008 season. The company's annual activities are designed and presented in an effort to foster an appreciation of Latin American music and culture. This season, the company will present a series of original plays, musical revues and musical comedies, each featuring some of the best known Hispanic artists, singers and dancers. Performances are scheduled to take place at the Miami-Dade County Auditorium, Teatro de Bellas Artes and Manuel Arttime Theater in Little Havana.
- 2 Alhambra Music, Inc. d/b/a Alhambra Orchestra** **\$11,710**
2829 Bird Avenue, #5, PMB 290, Miami, FL 33133
Organization Established in 1995
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of five public performances of orchestral music, a concerto competition for middle and high school students and a chamber workshop for children and adults at the University of Miami. The orchestra will perform core programs at Ransom Everglades School, with several outreach performances scheduled throughout Miami-Dade County.
- 3 Arts at St. Johns, Inc.** **\$15,000**
4760 PineTree Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33140
Organization Established in 2000
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 "A Place Called Home" program, a year-round arts program which will take place on the grounds of St. John's Church in mid-Miami Beach as well as other area facilities, when necessary. A series of diverse arts programs will be presented, showcasing a wide range of artistic disciplines, including music, dance, visual arts, film and theatre.
- 4 Ballet Concerto Company of Miami, Inc.** **\$5,922**
4180 Southwest 74 Court, Miami, FL 33155
Organization Established in 1974
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support a series of activities in support of the mission of the organization, which is to present, promote and preserve classical ballet for present and future generations of dancers by providing training to master the art form. Programs presented will include "Afternoon at the Ballet," "Our Cuban Dance Heritage," and other well-known works. Programs will be presented at the Ophelia and Juan Roca Theater in Sweetwater, Hialeah Senior High School Auditorium and the Manuel Arttime Theater in Little Havana.
- 5 Brazz Dance Theater, Inc.** **\$10,315**
P.O. Box 655130, Miami, FL 33265
Organization Established in 2001
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of activities in support of their mission, which is to promote the production of dance as a form of art through dance concerts, classes and workshops. The company will present their most recent work, "A Foot for Samba," at Florida International University, the Byron Carlyle Theater in North Beach and at the ArtSouth Sanctuary in Homestead. In addition, the company will present its educational outreach program, ASIWAJU, in Homestead. This program will provide free after-school dance classes to low-income students that reside in the area.

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- 6 CACEC, Inc. (Center for Artistic and Cultural Events in the Community, Inc.)** **\$8,512**
11311 Southwest 154 Street, Miami, FL 33157
Organization Established in 2002
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the production of a series of cultural arts festivals taking place in Southwest Miami Dade. The festivals will be presented in an effort to showcase a wide variety of artistic disciplines, including dance, music, poetry and theatre. The Center for Artistic and Cultural Events in the Community was founded to develop high quality arts programs, projects and events for residents and visitors of Southwest Miami-Dade County.

- 7 Circulo Lirico De La Opera, Inc.** **\$2,765**
3881 West Flagler Street, #133, Miami, FL 33134
Organization Established in 1996
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 opera season featuring three concerts showcasing well-known classical musical selections. Programs will take place at the St. Michael's Church and the Florida International University Wertheim Performing Arts Center. These community opera presentations will feature some of Miami-Dade County's most outstanding local vocal artists and allow them an opportunity to showcase their talents.

- 8 Civic Chorale of Greater Miami, Inc.** **\$12,877**
13015 Southwest 89 Place, Unit 184, Coral Gables, FL 33176
Organization Established in 1985
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the production of five choral performances and three free music-reading sessions of diverse choral literature. Programs are scheduled to take place at venues located throughout Miami-Dade County. Repertoire will include large-scale classical works, a traditional singing of the Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah" as well as musical selections for children and their families.

- 9 Clarita Filgueiras - Flamenco Puro, Inc.** **\$15,000**
16 Marabella Avenue, Coral Gables, FL 33134
Organization Established in 2002
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the production of three performances highlighting the art and traditions of Flamenco music and dance. The company will present "Seasons" at the Colony Theater on Miami Beach, "Tablao Flamenco" at the Ballet Academy of Miami and "Flamenco and Bharatnatyam: Crimson and Saffron" at the Hialeah High School Auditorium.

- 10 Community Arts and Culture, Inc.** **\$10,529**
12 Northeast 51 Street, Miami, FL 33137
Organization Established in 2002
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support a series of community-based festivals and special events presented by Community Arts and Culture. Festivals presented will include the 10th annual Afro Roots World Music Festival and the 6th annual Women and Culture Festival. In addition to the festivals, the company will continue to present community-wide projects that feature world music and art, educational workshops and performances. Events will take place on North Beach and Little Haiti.

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- 11 Community Concert Association f/a for The Edge Theater** **\$7,196**
3825 North Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33129
Organization Established in 1956
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of The Edge Theatre in support of their mission to produce the works of new playwrights and the neglected works of well-known, established playwrights. Performances will take place at the Edge Theatre space in the Miami Design District and the Miami Beach Botanical Garden. In total, the company will present fifty-two evenings of theatre.

- 12 Community Performing Arts Association, Inc.** **\$6,431**
15250 Southwest 108 Avenue, Miami, FL 33157
Organization Established in 2001
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the organization's 2007-2008 activities which will form an overall season program entitled "Arts in the Street." The program offers a series of free, outdoor concert/festivals held in Sweetwater and feature visual art exhibits, music, arts and crafts, ethnic foods and dance presentations that celebrate the Hispanic heritage of the Sweetwater community. The Community Performing Arts Association seeks to create and organize special programs and events that foster an appreciation of the performing and visual arts that are reflective of Miami-Dade County's cultural diversity.

- 13 Community Theatre of Miami Lakes, Inc.** **\$15,000**
6766 Main Street, Miami Lakes, FL 33014
Organization Established in 1987
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of the Main Street Players Community Theater. This season will include four full-scale theatrical productions as well as a children's dramatic workshop series. All performances and workshops will take place at the company's permanent home, the Main Street Playhouse, located in downtown Miami Lakes.

- 14 Cove/Rincón, Corporation, The** **\$6,140**
P.O. Box 65-4710, Miami, FL 33265
Organization Established in 1995
The Cove/Rincón Cultural Outreach and Education Program

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of events which includes monthly presentations by local, national and international artists at Florida International University - South Campus and Kendall, education and outreach programs and the publication of the organization's quarterly magazine. The organization is dedicated to fostering collaborations among artists by providing them with a forum to showcase and create their work.

- 15 Crystal Parrot Players, Inc.** **\$10,096**
P.O. Box 370386, Miami, FL 33137
Organization Established in 2005
2007 - 2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of the Crystal Parrot Players, a film and theater arts organization specializing in historically significant programs and events. The organization will present the original play "Sisters of the Sea" at GableStage in Coral Gables, "A Night of Techno-Poetry II" at Movement LAB on Miami Beach and the world premiere of the film project "Full Circle: A Taino Story" at the Tower Theater in Little Havana.

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- 16 Dance Now! Ensemble, Inc.** **\$15,000**
P.O. Box 416525, Miami Beach, FL 33141
Organization Established in 1998
2007-2008 Dance Now! Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of the Dance Now! Ensemble. The season will include the Annual Concert Season, repertory performances, collaborative projects and educational and community outreach programs. This season of activities intends to support the Dance Now! Ensemble's mission to create and develop a permanent voice in contemporary modern dance-theatre that is identifiable with South Florida, build community, promote diversity and help audiences gain insight and a deeper understanding of dance as an art form.

- 17 Deco Echo Artists' Delegation d/b/a Center for Folk and Community Art (CFCA)** **\$15,000**
1800 Michigan Avenue, #3, Miami Beach, FL 33139
Organization Established in 1988
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the year-round creative writing/drawing workshop series and traveling mural exhibition. The project will feature a multi-paneled tapestry crafted with stories and artwork created at various workshops at schools and community centers throughout Miami-Dade County. Program participants will express their personal experiences regarding a specific issue that is prevalent to their district and create a tapestry of panels, which will then be displayed at local district venues.

- 18 Freddick Bratcher and Company, Inc.** **\$15,000**
5900 Southwest 63 Avenue, Miami, FL 33143
Organization Established in 1980
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the company's 2007-2008 season. Institutional support will enable FBC to bring its innovative cross-cultural repertoire and dancers to present performances, lecture-demonstrations and/or master classes to communities throughout Miami-Dade County. Activities will take place at various venues, including outdoor parks, public libraries, museums, the Michael Ann Russell Jewish Community Center and venues on Miami Beach.

- 19 Fundarte, Inc.** **\$15,000**
8201 Southwest 99 Court, Miami, FL 33173
Organization Established in 2003
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of FUNDArte, an organization dedicated to producing, presenting and promoting events that celebrate South Florida's multicultural community. The 2007-2008 program will showcase a variety of film, musical performances and dance. Programs will take place at various venues throughout Miami-Dade, including the Manuel Arttime Theater, Tower Theater and Miami-Dade County Auditorium.

- 20 GableStage, Inc. f/a for Ground Up and Rising, Inc.** **\$10,729**
8145 Southwest 83 Place, Miami, FL 33143
Organization Established in 2005
Ground Up and Rising Community Activities for 2007-2008

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of Ground Up and Rising, a theater company dedicated to proving dramatic presentations that speak to a younger generation of theater patron. This year, the company will present four plays at the Studio Theater of the Miami-Dade College Kendall Campus.

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- 21 Haitian Heritage Museum** **\$15,000**
3940 North Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33137
Organization Established in 2004
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the organization's signature programs, "Ayiti Expose," "Month of May" events and quarterly art exhibits. The Haitian Heritage Museum seeks to preserve and promote Haiti's culture locally, nationally and internationally through the presentation of visual art, literary works, historic artifacts, music and film.
- 22 Hispanic-American Lyric Theatre, Inc. f/a for Art and Decoration, Inc.** **\$8,737**
9130 Southwest 123 Avenue Court, Miami, FL 33186
Organization Established in 2002
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of Art and Deco. The company will present arts activities that include mainstage musical performances and visual art exhibitions that showcase Hispanic culture. Events are scheduled to take place at various locations throughout the city of Hialeah, including the Goodlet Theater, the Hialeah High School Auditorium and the Hialeah Technological Center.
- 23 Homestead Community Concert Association, Inc.** **\$15,000**
18640 Southwest 295 Terrace, Homestead, FL 33030
Organization Established in 1976
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of the Homestead Community Concert Association. This year, the HCC Association will present four professional touring musical ensembles. All performances will take place at the South Dade High School Auditorium. The HCC Association will continue to implement an aggressive marketing campaign in an effort to expand their audience base and enhance the cultural experience for residents and visitors of the Homestead/South Miami-Dade area.
- 24 Miami Classical Guitar Society Inc.** **\$12,004**
10630 Southwest 126 Avenue, Miami, FL 33186
Organization Established in 1988
International Guitar Masters and Laureates Series
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 International Guitar Masters Series, which will be held at St. Philips Episcopal Church and the 4th International Guitar Assemblage and Competition, which will be held at Centro Cultural Español, both located in Coral Gables. The series will include concerts by renowned guitarists, master classes, lectures and an international competition with registrants from all over the world.
- 25 Miami Hispanic Ballet Corporation f/a for Cuban Classical Ballet of Miami** **\$14,754**
900 Southwest 1 Street, Suite 306, Miami, FL 33130
Organization Established in 2006
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of Cuban Classical Ballet of Miami. The company will present three full-length programs that showcase the Cuban ballet style and technique. Performances will take place at the Jackie Gleason Theater of the Performing Arts on Miami Beach and the Manuel Artime Theater in Little Havana.

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- 26 Miami Lyric Opera Company** **\$11,904**
3602 Alcantara Avenue, Doral, FL 33178
Organization Established in 2004
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of the Miami Lyric Opera, a company dedicated to the presentation and preservation of classical opera. This season, the company will present such classics as "Lucia di Lammermoor," "La Traviata" and "I Puritani." Performances will take place at the Manuel Artime Theater in Little Havana, the Colony Theater on Miami Beach and the Wertheim Performing Arts Center at Florida International University.

- 27 Miami Watercolor Society, Inc.** **\$7,280**
8738 S.W. 114 Place, Miami, FL 33173
Organization Established in 1974
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season, featuring a series of exhibitions and public workshops conducted by nationally recognized water media artists. Watermedia artists will demonstrate their work at the organization's monthly meetings and serve as jurors on the organization's selection committee for exhibitions. In addition, the Miami Watercolor Society provides student exhibitions, senior citizens' activities and produce publications about the art form.

- 28 Mz. Goose, Inc.** **\$4,739**
10203 S.W. 169 Terrace, Miami, FL 33157
Organization Established in 1994
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the Mz. Goose, Inc. 2007-2008 season of activities at the organization's home base, the historic Bethel House located in Perrine. Activities showcased at the house will include exhibitions of the West Perrine Pioneers, Native American history and an antique doll exhibit. In addition, the organization will present "The Merriment of Christmas" program, a free series of crafts workshops for underprivileged youth.

- 29 North Miami Community Concert Band** **\$8,171**
800 Southwest 131 Avenue, Kingsley F-406, Pembroke Pines, FL 33027
Organization Established in 1982
2007-2008 Season

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of ten concerts which include light classics, marches, overtures, show tunes and music from the "Big Band" era. Performances are scheduled to take place at a number of neighborhood venues, including the Gwen Margolis Community Center, senior centers and nursing homes. The orchestra will also produce its annual Fourth of July Concert and fireworks display at FIU - North Campus and participate in the Thanksgiving Day Parade in North Miami.

- 30 South Beach Chamber Ensemble, Inc.** **\$10,082**
827 16th Street, #12, Miami Beach, FL 33139
Organization Established in 2001
2007-2008 Season - Music in Beautiful Spaces

Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 ongoing series, "Music in Beautiful Spaces," produced by the South Beach Chamber Ensemble. The ensemble promotes and performs chamber music in all its diverse forms, from its origins in the distant past to the varied cultural creations produced today. Various performances will be held throughout Miami-Dade County, including the Miami Beach Botanical Garden, Barry University in Miami Shores and the Dave and Mary Alper Jewish Community Center in West Kendall.

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- 31 South Florida Bluegrass Association, Inc.** **\$13,954**
20533 Biscayne Boulevard, #358, Aventura, FL 33180
Organization Established in 1973
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of activities presented by the South Florida Bluegrass Association (SFBA), the only association in Miami-Dade County dedicated to the teaching and preservation of bluegrass music. This year, the SFBA will present the three-day "Everglades Bluegrass Festival," a series of monthly one-day mini festivals as well as various outreach performances throughout Miami-Dade County. All programs will feature local and nationally known bluegrass musicians and will be held at the grounds of the Ives Estates Optimist Club in North Miami Beach.
- 32 Teatro en Miami Corporation** **\$10,915**
10302 Northwest 9 St. Circle, #104, Miami, FL 33172
Organization Established in
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support the 2007-2008 season of Teatro en Miami. The company will present four major plays at their home base, the Teatro en Miami Studio in Little Havana. In addition, the company will conduct the Elder's Theater program, launch the Internet Virtual Theater project, and maintain the websites www.teatroenmiami.com and www.artemiami.com.
- 33 The Unconservatory, Inc.** **\$15,000**
8035 Southwest 26 Street, Miami, FL 33155
Organization Established in 1992
2007-2008 Season
- Funds are requested to support a series of concert performances and educational activities to be held at various venues throughout Miami-Dade County. Events will be presented featuring professional and student performers from Miami-Dade and surrounding counties. The majority of concerts will take place at the First Presbyterian Church of Miami and will feature acoustic ensembles, as well as solo and duo piano performances.